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An Evening Echo.

For fifty years the Republican party has written the most glorious piece of history that was ever penned. Like good soldiers, let us close up the ranks, let us march to victory next November and write four years more of that same glorious Republican history.—E. A. HAYES, M. C.

Attorney George M. Hoffheimer went to Charleston last night to look after legal business.

Have you read in any Democratic newspaper praise of the work done by that notoriously corrupt legislature of last year?

Will the people of this state vote to endorse the corrupt record of the last legislature? That is the pivot upon which their votes balance.

Prizes will be given for those who can find any compliments for Senators Watson and Chilton printed in the newspapers of the Democratic party.

Lafe Shock has not taken the stump this campaign. But Lafe started something with an affidavit down at Charleston last year that seems to be "going some."

"Taft and the top wave of prosperity," or "destruction in industries," or "the whirligig administration of an unbalanced president" are a few specimens of the present campaign epigrams of John Wanamaker.

All eyes on the fight for the legislature. Around it the battle of the people of this state against a corrupt bossism representative of crooked corporate business is centered.

Begins to look now as if the good sense of the business men, the farmers and the workingmen in the mills and the factories of West Virginia, will prevail, and that West Virginia will go for Taft.

There is nothing surprising in the announcement of Dawson that "fixers" from the Watson camp have been trying to buy up Progressive party committeemen in many counties. That is the Watson way—"Buy it."

"It is a physical impossibility for anybody to vote the Democratic ticket and not support the Watson-Chilton-MacCorkle combine," says Chairman James S. Lakin. Come to think of it, Chairman Lakin is right.

Hurray for Rowlesburg! In honor of Dr. Hatfield and his company of candidates touring the state, Rowlesburg revived the old-fashioned torch-light procession. Guess there has not been one given in this state since the Blaine-Cleveland campaign of 1884.

All the money, all the organization and all the influence of the Watson-Chilton-MacCorkle combine are centered on the accomplishment of the one purpose—carrying the legislature. To prevent that, there should not be any party lines between honest and decent voters.

Think of Thompson talking of "bosses in the Republican party," and inveighing against the "influence of corrupt corporations in our politics." Wonder if Watson's choice thinks he can fool the people with that sort of a deception and "get away with it?"

The New York Herald says that the tide has set in strong in the di-

rection of President Taft. And that sentiment is at a standstill. And that Roosevelt stock is on the decline. No where, we will wager, is the change of sentiment toward President Taft more noticeable than it is in West Virginia.

Can not the people see that Clarence W. Watson is going to buy up the legislature? What are they going to do about it? Help him do it? Or are they going to vote the Republican legislative ticket in every county and make it dead sure that he can not be re-elected to the Senate under any circumstance?

May be Ritchie and Doddridge counties were glad to see Dr. Hatfield, "Honest Abe" Lilly and the other Republican party standard bearers with them? The good folk turned out by the thousands and broke all records, according to the best recollection of the oldest inhabitants.

Did any body hear of one single solitary law that Chilton and MacCorkle took a lively interest in, that was not for the benefit of big business and in opposition to the welfare of the people? We challenge anybody to point out just one. It can not be done. Then why should the people vote to support them in official power and affluence?

"Disfranchising French," the Mercer county state senator, is another mistake that the Watson managers have made. French will do no good on the stump, that is certain. He tried to get passed a bill which would have disfranchised 60,000 voters in West Virginia, 15,000 colored men and 45,000 whites.

"Nothing under the heaven can stop the havoc of desperate fighters but a continent-wide rally of the Republican party."—John Wanamaker. The rally in West Virginia has begun. Let every loyal Republican help to keep it going until it is made certain that West Virginia's electoral vote has gone to President Taft.

While the Exponent is misrepresenting Will E. Morris, nominee for criminal judge, it is not fair enough to state that as such judge he would not be eligible to preside in cases in which he has been engaged as a lawyer or prosecuting attorney. When it has made that statement, if ever it does, it will have disapproved all it ever said against his election.

Jim Holly and Clem Shafer are appealing to Democrats of West Virginia for subscriptions to Prof. Wilson's campaign fund. Jim is head man at Charleston for Chilton, MacCorkle and Chilton, while Clem is known as Watson's "fixer." If any patriots desire to help the Wilson fund, it might be well for them to send it direct to national headquarters.

The people of West Virginia never had as much at stake in any campaign as they have this year. They are threatened with free trade on the national end of the proposition, and corporation control through corrupt political bosses on the other end. If these dangers are not sufficient to arouse them to fight to save their liberties and their prosperity, then there is nothing that will.

How do West Virginians like to have in Congress men who are bound by a caucus, a majority of which is composed of free trade congressmen from down South, to vote against their state's best interests? That is what they have in the person of Davis, Brown, Littlepage and Hamilton. All together! Let's relegate these misrepresentatives and substitute real representatives in their place.

Thomas C. Bledsoe, is "the midnight candidate of the interests," according to Gilbert D. Smith, of Pleasants county, who is a Woodrow Wilson candidate for presidential elector. Mr. Smith said it at the Democratic convention in a speech he delivered there, and he has never unsaid it, nor is he likely. Bledsoe came from Virginia to this state five years ago, and is now a candidate for attorney general of the state. He is presumed to be a candidate of those who hope to benefit from the Virginia debt case. His opponent is "Honest Abe" Lilly, a native-born and a lawyer of ability, who represents no "interests." A word to the wise is said to be sufficient.

...you old enough to...
...the last revenge only...
...During the Cleveland administration the value of farm products of the United States decreased \$500,000,000. In two months after the enactment of the Wilson law, the business of the country decreased six per cent. "Hobbing" became a common trade, two million men being out of work and begging for bread. In eight months after the election of McKinley and the system of protection had been restored, one million of these men had returned to work. And now, in the face of the best period of the country's history, there is a clamor for a return to the good old Democratic hard times. "DO YOUR OWN THINKING."

At Charleston, Francis J. Heney, contrary to the statement of the Exponent, mentioned Dr. Hatfield in a highly complimentary manner, as did also W. S. Edwards, who presided over the Progressive meeting. Heney said that he was informed that Dr. Hatfield was a brave, courageous man, who came of fighting stock, and that was the kind of men that made the American republic possible. "One of the things that the Exponent and all other Watsonized newspapers can not compose themselves over, is that Dr. Hatfield is as much the candidate of the Progressive party for governor as he is of the Republican party, and he is received with the enthusiastic support of the combined parties."

Want to Trade.
Reliable reports from various parts of the state connect up the Watson-Chilton-MacCorkle bosses with a proposition that is being made to trade off votes for Roosevelt for votes for the state ticket, especially the legislative end of it.

A man who would be caught with a vote-trading proposition, would be just as easily victimized by a gold-brick swindler. Yet, that proposition will catch a few thick heads, but not as many as those proposing the trade expect it to.

Corrupt Combine.
Before the Board of Public Works, the last time assessments were levied by that body, the firm of Chilton, MacCorkle and Chilton representing corporations whose combined capitalization amounted to \$1,244,000,000—one billion two hundred and forty-four million. We spell it out for fear some might think a typographical error had added too many ciphers. Think of this and then ask yourself.

Mr. Voter, do you desire to cast your vote to endorse and support the corrupt political machinations of these political bosses, allied with the one big boss of them all—Clarence W. Watson? In connection with meditating this question, it would be well to remember that it is a physical impossibility for any man to vote the Democratic ticket this year without helping the Watson-Chilton-MacCorkle alliance.

Wilson's Foolish Plan.
A revenue tariff measure having for its object a reduction in the cost of living, which seems to be the avowed purpose of Governor Wilson, must in order to produce lower prices in this country succeed through its schedules in inducing a large volume of importation of foreign made goods, which it is evident would replace goods of domestic manufacture and to that extent lessen the opportunity of American workmen for steady employment.

In order to justify any proposition the effect of which might throw thousands out of work, it should be clearly demonstrated that the average rate of profits by American manufacturers is abnormal. It is clearly evident that you can not force a large and increasing volume of foreign manufactured goods on the American market without circumventing that same market to the product of American industries.

The only way to meet the present high cost of living question is to take the long view—that is to say, if anything can be done through legislation it should so shape things that there will be an increased demand, rather than a smaller demand for labor and the increasing demand will tend to lift wages to meet the existing conditions.

Why Evade the Truth?
The Exponent published this morning a series of misstatements, when it could have published the truth signed by Dr. Hatfield, himself, for it has in its office a commu-

...answers fully and satisfactorily...
...truthfully, every question it ad-
...dressed to him in its Saturday's is-
...sues. It answers the Calhoun canard,
...and every other distorted, malicious
...and dirty charge that the Exponent
...and other Watsonized sheets have
...made. Why does not the Exponent
...publish Dr. Hatfield's communication
...to it? Well, because it is not fair
...with itself, Dr. Hatfield or its read-
...ers.

Dr. Hatfield has answered every question put to him this campaign, and he will continue to. In his private and public life, there is nothing to his disparagement. He stands the most searching investigation. Hence, there is nothing left for his desperate opponents to do but to misrepresent and vilify him. They must think that the public is composed mostly of fools and idiots, and that it has forgotten that the highest tributes to the character and ability of this man were paid by the Democratic leaders themselves.

CHARTERS
Granted by the Secretary of State to Several Concerns.

CHARLESTON, Oct. 15.—The following charters have been issued by the secretary of state:

Manchester Coal and Coke Company, of Kentucky, with principal offices in Manchester, Ky., and operations in Clay county, Ky., to mine coal, manufacture coke, drill for oil and gas, and manufacture lumber. Authorized capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: Arthur E. Young, H. C. McClintock, J. Audrey Pierce, David E. Mitchell and A. M. Slater, all of Pittsburg, Pa.

The Moose Oil and Gas Company, of Shinnston, W. Va., to drill for oil and gas and manufacture carbon in Clay district of Harrison county, W. Va. Authorized capital, \$10,000. Incorporators: F. C. Richardson, Q. M. Carder, Henry C. Robinson, John W. Carder, L. R. Nay and others, of Shinnston, W. Va.

Hill Store Company, of Meadowbrook, W. Va., to conduct a general merchandise business, deal in live stock and manufacture ice. Authorized capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: J. C. Hill, of Jacksonburg; P. M. Robinson, O. E. Swartz, R. O. Fallon and E. B. Templeman, of Clarksburg, W. Va.

The receipts in the state auditor's office for the month of September as shown by the report filed in the office of the secretary of state, was \$1,591.50, divided as follows: From insurance department, \$1,074.00; land department, \$507.50; corporation department, \$10.00.

FUNERAL

Of W. Roy Byrd Will Be Held Thursday Morning.

The funeral of W. Roy Byrd, who died in the Mercy hospital in Baltimore Sunday night, will be held at the Church of the Immaculate Conception Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The Rev. P. H. McDermott, rector, will celebrate a requiem high mass. The burial will be in the Holy Cross cemetery.

The body was brought here Tuesday morning on Baltimore and Ohio passenger train No. 3, and was taken to his home at the corner of Oak and Pike streets. It and the family were met at the station by a large number of friends who accompanied it to the home.

MILLER FUNERAL

The funeral of Mrs. Minnie Miller, colored, aged 29 years, wife of George Miller, of 504 Monticello avenue, who died at her home Sunday night at 10 o'clock after a lingering illness, was held at the Mt. Zion Baptist church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The burial was in the Greenlawn cemetery.

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